

ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES
AUGUST 17, 2006

Members Present: Teresa Rundell Phyllis Anderson Marjan Cohan
 Doug Rudick Anita Huntley Randall Pedersen
 Dennis Boepple Natasha Behner Guest: John Highkin

Staff Present: Jason Gage, City Manager/Staff Liason.

Members Absent: McDowell (Mac) Steele and Mike Weaver

Jason Gage called the meeting to order at 4:05 p. m.

I. PUBLIC COMMENT None

II. GENERAL

A. **Approval of March 16, 2006 Minutes:** Dennis Boepple moved to approve; Phyllis Anderson second. The minutes of March 16, 2006 meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved.

III. OLD BUSINESS

Dickinson Theatre – Non-responsive to Theresa Rundell's inquiry regarding number of devices available.

Requested correspondence from committee regarding the number of devices available.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Complete Access System Report on Smoky Hill Museum Facility:** Discussion of general procedures done by City of Salina – City Commission. Byron Erikson, Susan Hawksworth, and John Highkin reviewed report and discussed. Jason stated that as city reviews items committee will be kept up to date. Point of discussion circulated around items in report. Mr. Highkin suggested discussing with Susan Hawksworth about using museum renovation dollars to purchase a hearing assist system. Questions about wheelchair availability. Discussion about railing – guiding rail. Anita Huntley suggested a meeting at the museum. Most recommendations will be reviewed and attended this year. However a few of these will take some time and planning. Update will be in next report with a timeline.
- B. **AAB Annual Report:** What is the Ramp Program? Clarification of last year's activities requested. Currently when a street is going in ramps are placed automatically. Streets without ramps are reviewed pending new issues.

Teresa Rundell mentioned Iron and Santa Fe southwest corner – staff will look into it.

Discussion about Inclusion Award from Interhab and where transportation is now, the local need, collaboration between.

- C. **Other Business:** Transportation update. Requested continue update in a more timely manner. Transportation issue may come up again in October. Go to Salina website to check for agenda for this item; www.ci.salina.ks.us. Update will be in next meeting's agenda.

Press release about Salina Community Services Council Public Education Forum on Tuesday, September 26th, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Please see enclosed announcement.

Spangles guide railing – no turn around room. Not enough room for a power chair. Staff will look into it and mail advocacy letter from Board.

Doug Rudick told a good reminder story about not discriminating.

Passed out New Board Orientation and 2006 Budget in Brief.

Next meeting set for Thursday, November 9, 2006, 4:00 p.m. in the City County Building – Room 105.

Moved to adjourn by Teresa Rundell; Doug Rudick second.
The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

Continue to update board on:

- A. Complete Access Systems Report on Smoky Hill Museum Facility and actions taken.
- B. Transportation issue in community regarding agency collaboration and services provided.

Staff to:

- A. Clarify Ramp Program and activity of program in 2005.
- B. Review lack of accessibility ramp on southwest corner of Iron and Santa Fe and report.
- C. Check on accessibility of Spangles, send advocacy letter on behalf of the board, and update board at next meeting.

Item(s) not covered from previous meeting to be placed on next agenda:

- A. Staff to research ADA guideline websites and propose adding to City website.